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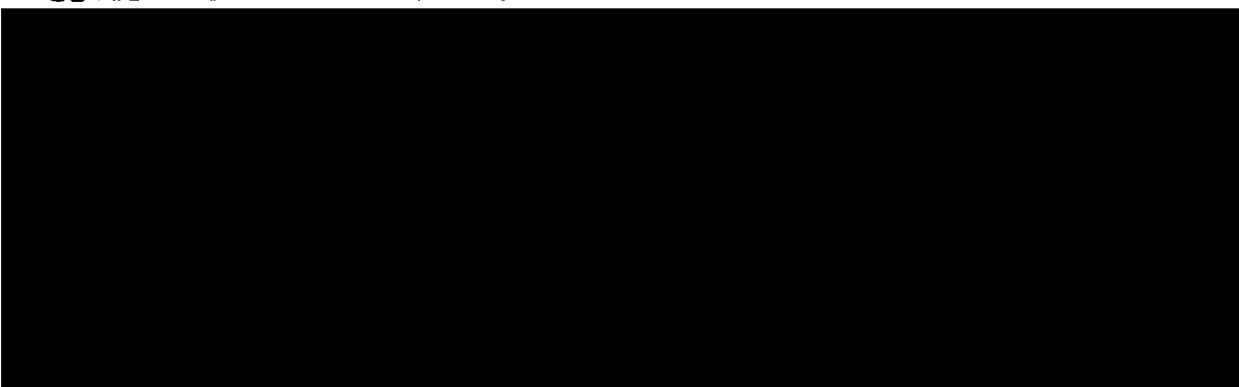
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1. THE NORTH VIETNAMESE ARE CONTINUING TO EXPAND THEIR PETROLEUM PIPELINE (PPL) SYSTEM IN BOTH LAOS AND NORTH VIETNAM. IN LAOS, A PPL THAT ORIGINATES AT QUANG KHE [REDACTED] NORTH VIETNAM HAS BEEN EXTENDED ABOUT 49 STATUTE MILES FARTHER SOUTH TO THE VICINITY OF BAN PHONE [REDACTED] LAOS SINCE MARCH 1972. IN NORTH VIETNAM, APPROXIMATELY 80 MILES OF NEW PPL IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION FROM A POINT 16 MILES SOUTH OF MINH BINH [REDACTED] TO THE VICINITY OF THE CU DAI PETROLEUM STORAGE AREA [REDACTED] MUCH OF THE PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION IS DUAL AND IT GENERALLY PARALLELS THE EXISTING PPL. WORK BEGAN AFTER 3 NOV 72.

2. THE NEW PPL CONSTRUCTION OBSERVED IN LAOS EXTENDS FROM THE FORMER LIMIT OF CONSTRUCTION AT [REDACTED] APPROXIMATELY 17 MILES SOUTH OF MUONG NONG [REDACTED] FOR AT LEAST 49 MILES TO [REDACTED] ON THE SOUTHEAST SIDE OF THE SE KONG RIVER ABOUT 7 MILES NORTHEAST OF BAN PHONE. THE PPL DIVIDES ON THE NORTHWEST SIDE OF THE SE KONG RIVER AT [REDACTED] ONE SEGMENT DISAPPEARS UNDER TREE CANOPY AT [REDACTED] AND THE OTHER CROSSES THE RIVER AT [REDACTED] AND EXTENDS NORTHEAST TO [REDACTED] WHERE IT DISAPPEARS UNDER DENSE TREE CANOPY. THIS 49-MILE EXTENSION OF THE PPL IS ALIGNED ALONG THE FOLLOWING UTM COORDINATES:



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3. A POSSIBLE POL STORAGE AREA/PUMPING STATION AT [REDACTED] CAN BE SEEN ON [REDACTED]

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4. PHOTO REFERENCES: GIANT SCALE [REDACTED]

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MAP REFERENCES: AMS SERIES L7015, SHEETS 6341 III, 6340 II AND III, 6339 I.

5. WE DO NOT HAVE A CONTINUOUS ALIGNMENT OF THE NEW PPL IN THE NORTH VIETNAMESE PANHANDLE, EITHER BECAUSE OF INDADEQUATE PHOTO COVERAGE OR BECAUSE IT MAY NOT YET BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG THE ENTIRE DISTANCE. NEW PIPELINE CONSTRUCTION HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED FARTHER NORTH THAN [REDACTED] A POINT 16 MILES SOUTH OF NINH BINH. IN AREAS WHERE THE NEW PPL CONSTRUCTION WAS COVERED BY BUFFALO HUNTER OR BLUE TREE/YANKEE TEAM PHOTO MISSIONS, PIPE HAS BEEN SEEN EITHER IN TRENCHES OR ON THE GROUND. BECAUSE MUCH OF THE NEW 100 MM PPL HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED IN DUAL SEGMENTS, IT IS LIKELY THAT ALL OF THIS NEW PPL WILL EVENTUALLY BE MADE DUAL. THE NEW PIPELINE IS ALIGNED ALONG THE FOLLOWING UTM COORDINATES: (NOTE, D REPRESENTS THOSE SEGMENTS HAVING DUAL PIPE OR DUAL TRANCHING.)

6. SOME PUMPING STATIONS ALONG THE NEW PPL HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AND ARE LOCATED AT THE FOLLOWING UTM COORDINATES:

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MAP REFERENCES: 6046 I; 6047 II; 6146 IV;
6147 III AND IV; 6148 I, III, AND IV; 6149 II.
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